

STAR WARS OBI-WAN & ANAKIN



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Obi-Wan and Anakin

Part V

Despite the efforts of Obi-Wan Kenobi to educate Anakin Skywalker in the ways of the Force, the young Padawan questions whether his future truly lies with the Jedi Order.

Responding to a distress call from the ruined world Carnelion IV, the pair have found themselves in the midst of a war between two factions – the Open and the Closed.

Anakin has been kidnapped by natives who believe that his talents will help them win the war. Meanwhile, Obi-Wan has followed the distress call to its origin: a woman named Sera who has dedicated her life to collecting remnants of old technology in hope of inspiring the planets' youth, and ending the conflict. But as Open and Closed forces converge on Sera's fortress museum, those hopes may prove futile....

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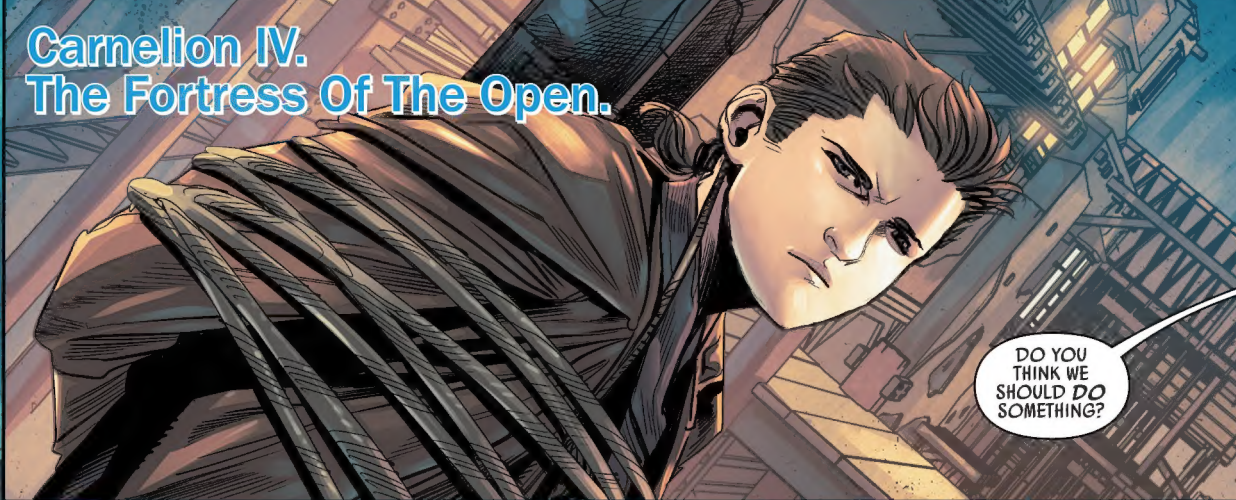
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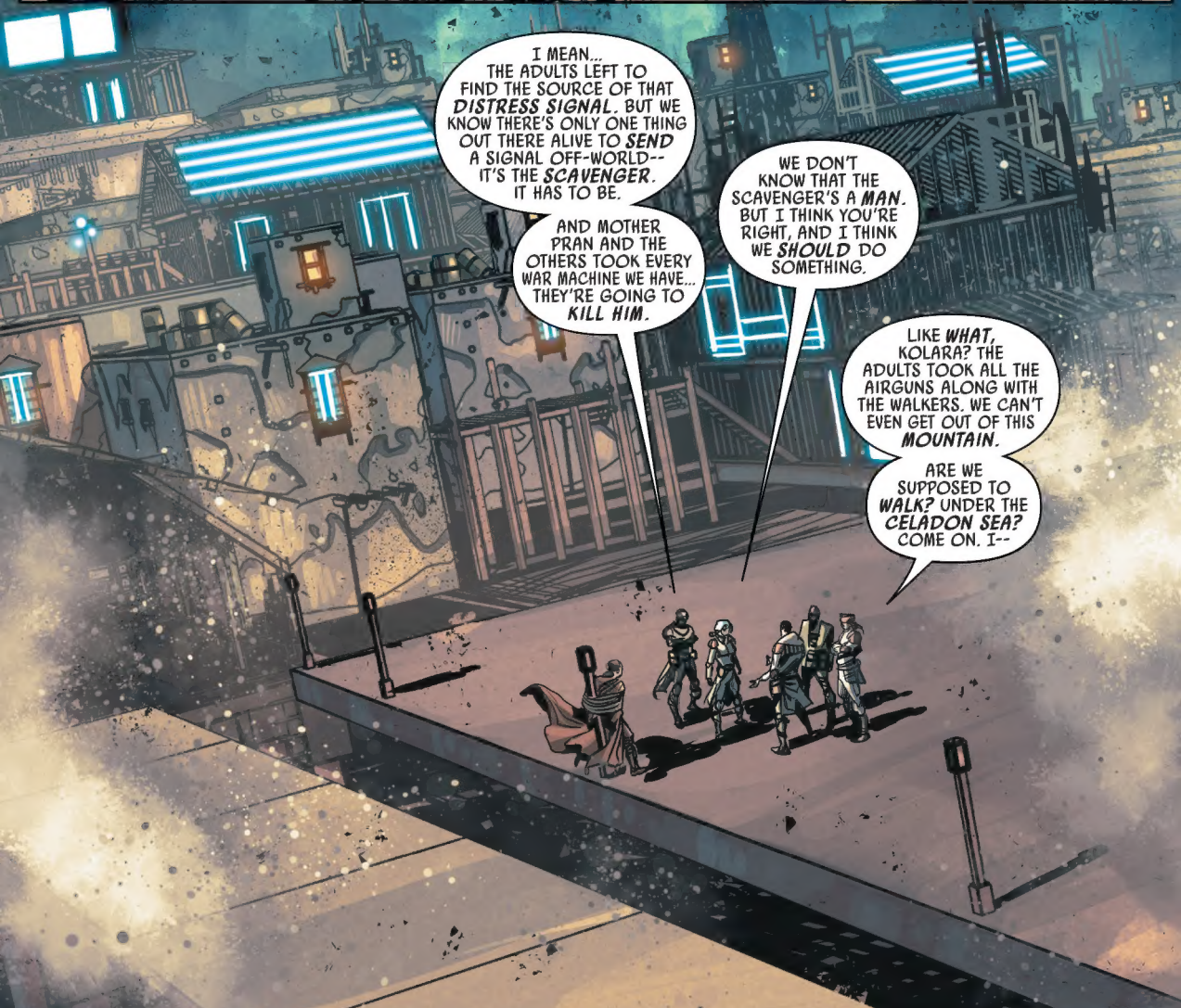
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Carnelion IV. The Fortress Of The Open.



DO YOU
THINK WE
SHOULD DO
SOMETHING?



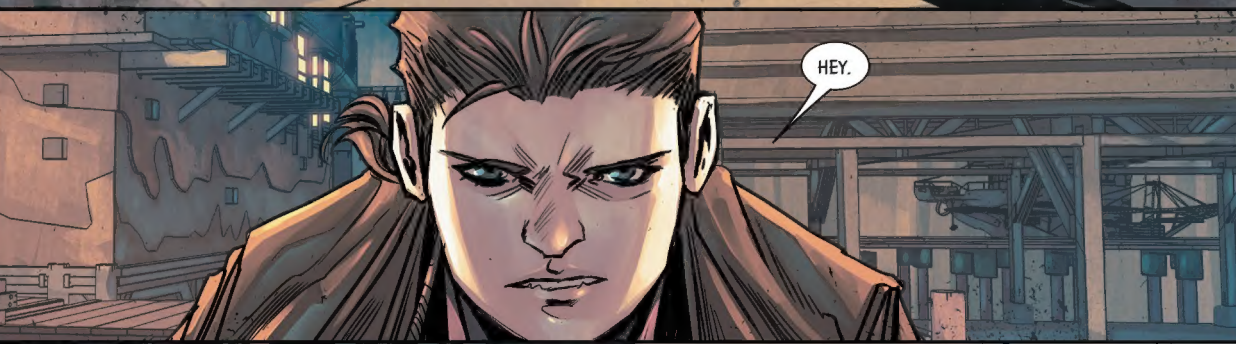
I MEAN...
THE ADULTS LEFT TO
FIND THE SOURCE OF THAT
DISTRESS SIGNAL. BUT WE
KNOW THERE'S ONLY ONE THING
OUT THERE ALIVE TO **SEND**
A SIGNAL OFF-WORLD--
IT'S THE **SCAVENGER**.
IT HAS TO BE.

AND MOTHER
PRAN AND THE
OTHERS TOOK EVERY
WAR MACHINE WE HAVE...
THEY'RE GOING TO
KILL HIM.

WE DON'T
KNOW THAT THE
SCAVENGER'S A **MAN**.
BUT I THINK YOU'RE
RIGHT, AND I THINK
WE **SHOULD** DO
SOMETHING.

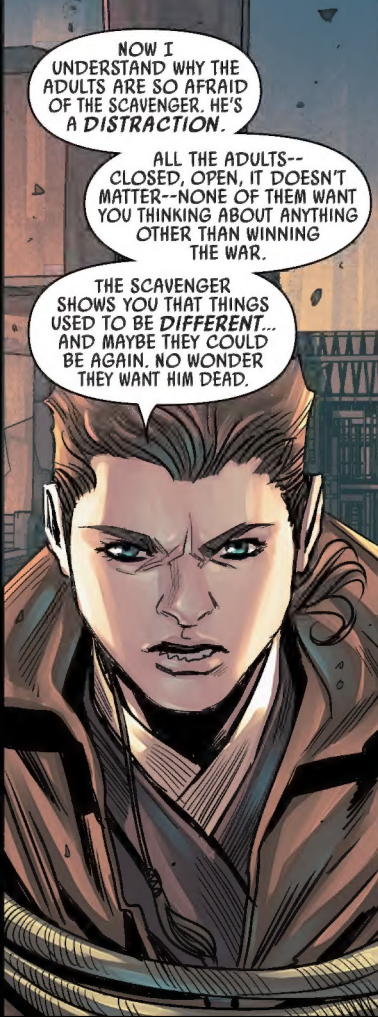
LIKE **WHAT**,
KOLARA? THE
ADULTS TOOK ALL THE
AIRGUNS ALONG WITH
THE WALKERS. WE CAN'T
EVEN GET OUT OF THIS
MOUNTAIN.

ARE WE
SUPPOSED TO
WALK? UNDER THE
CELADON SEA?
COME ON, I--



HEY.





NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY THE ADULTS ARE SO AFRAID OF THE SCAVENGER. HE'S A DISTRACTION.

ALL THE ADULTS--CLOSED, OPEN, IT DOESN'T MATTER--NONE OF THEM WANT YOU THINKING ABOUT ANYTHING OTHER THAN WINNING THE WAR.

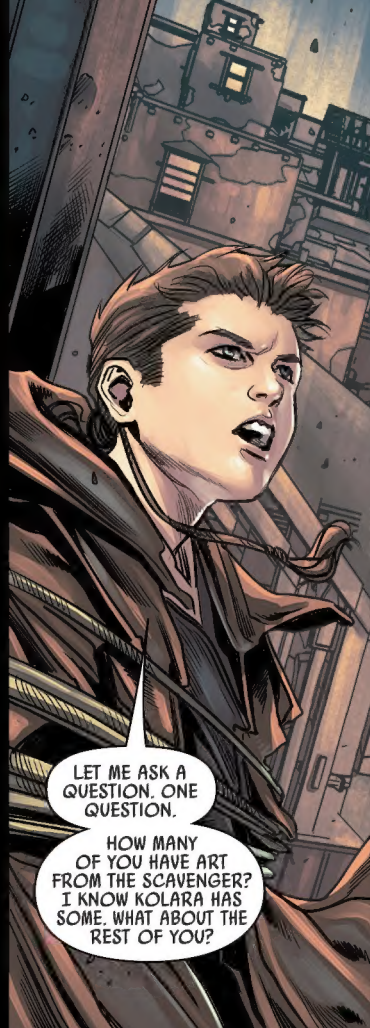
THE SCAVENGER SHOWS YOU THAT THINGS USED TO BE DIFFERENT... AND MAYBE THEY COULD BE AGAIN. NO WONDER THEY WANT HIM DEAD.



WHO IS THIS, KOLARA?

SKYGIFT. HIS NAME IS ANAKIN. HE AND HIS MASTER CAME HERE BECAUSE OF THE DISTRESS CALL, AND--

SKYGIFT? HE'S NOT EVEN FROM THIS WORLD, AND YET HE THINKS HE KNOWS OUR BUSINESS?



LET ME ASK A QUESTION. ONE QUESTION.

HOW MANY OF YOU HAVE ART FROM THE SCAVENGER? I KNOW KOLARA HAS SOME. WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF YOU?



WE...

YOU ALL HAVE SOMETHING. I THOUGHT SO. LISTEN. YOU DON'T WANT MOTHER PRAN TO KILL THE SCAVENGER, AND I WANT TO GET BACK TO MY MASTER.

WE CAN HELP EACH OTHER. I CAN MAKE THINGS. THERE'S PLENTY HERE I CAN USE.

HE'S TELLING THE TRUTH. HE FIXED THE MECHS.



I CAN DO IT. I CAN FIX EVERYTHING.

BUT I CAN'T DO IT ALONE.

Fortress of the Scavenger.

Shrine To The World That Was.

THIS IS THE MACHINE I USED TO CALL YOU TO THIS PLANET, OBI-WAN. I GOT IT WORKING JUST LONG ENOUGH TO SEND OUT A SIGNAL-- BUT IT BROKE AGAIN RIGHT AFTER.

MAYBE YOU CAN FIX IT?

NO, SERA. MY SKILLS LIE ELSEWHERE. ALTHOUGH I AM TRAVELING WITH A YOUNG MAN WHO COULD REPAIR THE MACHINE, I'M SURE.

YOUR MESSAGE WAS VERY *SPECIFIC*. IT USED PHRASING UNIQUE TO MY ORDER. HOW DID YOU LEARN TO SPEAK AS THE JEDI DO?

AH, YES. LET ME SHOW YOU. I HAVE TO TELL YOU, I WAS ALMOST READY TO *GIVE UP*.

I'M *OLD*. I'LL BE DEAD SOON. I WAS AFRAID THAT ALL MY WORK WOULD DISAPPEAR WITH ME, AND THIS WORLD WOULD JUST KEEP... *WINDING DOWN*.

AND THEN I FOUND THIS.

AS I TOLD YOU--A RECORD OF THE WARRIORS WITH SWORDS OF LIGHT.



THE IMAGE USED TO *MOVE*...IT WAS A WHOLE STORY, IN COLOR, WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO CALL THE JEDI IF YOU NEEDED THEM.

BUT NOW IT'S BROKEN, LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE. JUST THIS ONE PICTURE, BLACK AND WHITE.

BUT YOU GET THE IDEA. IT SHOWED ME WHAT YOU CAN DO. YOU JEDI... YOU'RE *POWERFUL*. NO ONE CAN STAND AGAINST YOU.

IF YOU BRING YOUR PEOPLE, YOU CAN *END THIS WAR*.

OPEN... CLOSED...YOU CAN KILL THEM ALL. AND THEN I CAN START OVER, WITH THE *YOUNG*.

HMM.

SERA. LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION.

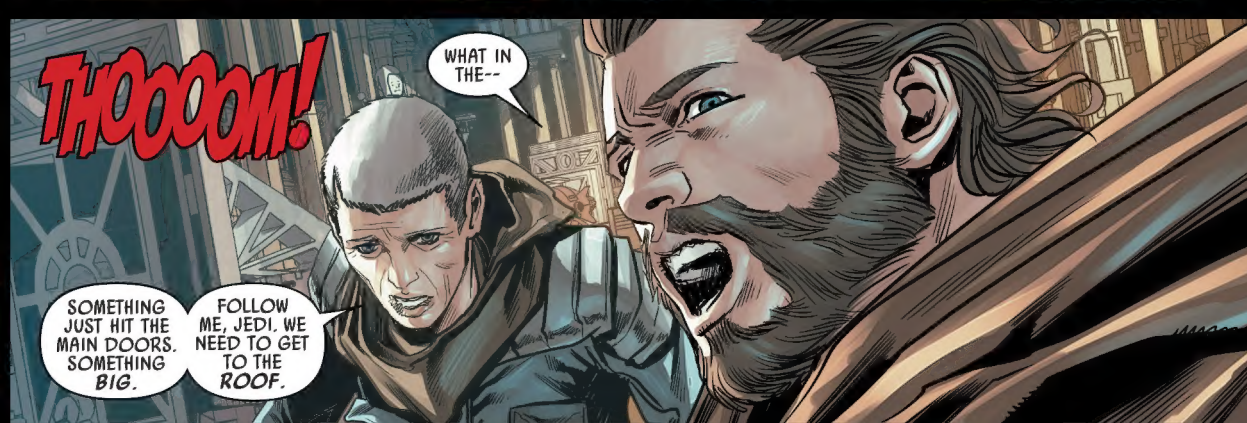
WHEN YOUR JEDI SCREEN STILL WORKED...TELL ME. THE LIGHTSABER THIS WARRIOR HELD...

...WHAT *COLOR* WAS IT?



WHY... *RED*, I BELIEVE.

DOES IT MATTER?



THOOOOM!

WHAT IN THE--

SOMETHING JUST HIT THE MAIN DOORS. SOMETHING *BIG*.

FOLLOW ME, JEDI. WE NEED TO GET TO THE *ROOF*.



OH, NO.
IT'S THE
CLOSED.

LET US IN,
SCAVENGER!

SURRENDER,
AND WE WILL
SPARE YOUR
LIFE!



THEY FOUND ME
AT LAST.

THE MAN I WAS TRAVELING
WITH--GRECKER--
SENT UP A FLARE. IT MUST
HAVE BEEN A SIGNAL TO
HIS PEOPLE.

I SEE. WELL, ALL
WE REALLY NEED TO
KNOW IS THIS: THEY'RE LYING
ABOUT SPARING US IF WE
SURRENDER. CLOSED...OPEN...
THEY SPARE **NO ONE**.



WELL,
WHAT ARE
YOU WAITING
FOR?
GET
DOWN THERE
AND KILL
THEM!

SERA...THERE
IS SOMETHING
ELSE YOU NEED
TO KNOW. JEDI...
WHENEVER
POSSIBLE...



...THEY SPARE
EVERYONE.

I AM NOT
THE ONE YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR. I
AM A JEDI.

BUT KNOW
THAT I HAVE
PLACED HER UNDER MY
PROTECTION, BEFORE
YOU MAKE ANY RASH
DECISIONS.

UH-HUH.
YOUR
PROTECTION,
EH?

I THINK
I'LL RISK
IT.

WHERE IS
GRECKER?
IF HE'S
DEAD--



KILL
HIM.

GRECKER!



KILL HIM,
AND BURN THIS
PLACE TO THE
GROUND.







WHERE DID THEY GET THOSE DAMNED MECHS?



GRECKER. THIS HAS TO STOP.

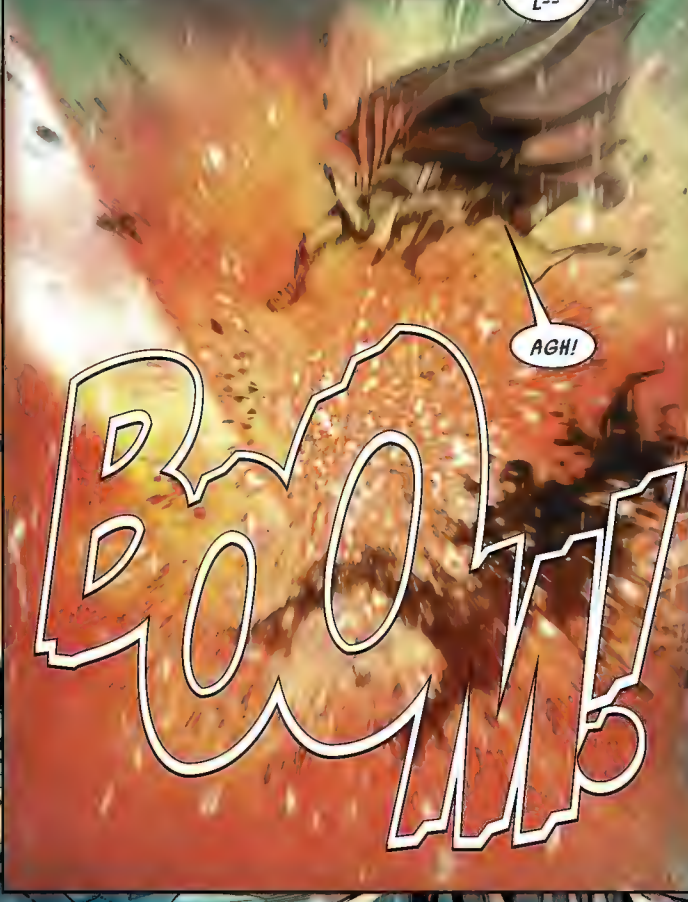
THE WOMAN YOU'RE ALL TRYING TO KILL--SHE'S TRYING TO SAVE THIS WORLD.

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

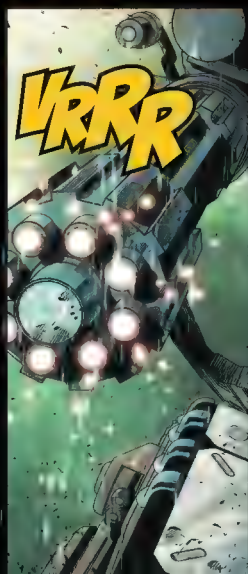
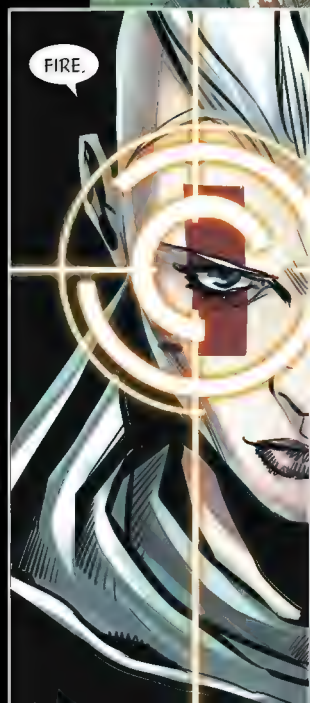


YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS WORLD-- YOU JUST FLY HERE IN YOUR STARSHIP, THINK YOU CAN SAVE US? DON'T YOU GET IT, YOU FOOL?

IT'S TOO L--



AGH!





ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MASTER?

WELL ENOUGH, THANK YOU, ANAKIN.

WHERE DID YOU FIND THIS FLYING MACHINE?

I DIDN'T FIND IT, MASTER. I **BUILT** IT.

AH. OF COURSE YOU DID.

I BROUGHT KOLARA AND THE REST OF THE YOUNG OPEN.



ARE YOU...THE ONE WHO SENDS US THE... THE **ART**?

I AM.

SO YOU'RE REALLY HER, THE SCAVENGER.

IS THAT WHAT YOU CALL ME? I SUPPOSE I AM. MY NAME IS SERA.

DON'T WORRY, MASTER. EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT.

IS IT, ANAKIN? I AM BEGINNING TO HAVE MY DOUBTS.



WHY DO YOU SEND THE KITES? WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WHY, CHILD... I WANT TO START OVER, WITH ALL OF YOU.

BUT I SUPPOSE ALL OF THAT'S DONE NOW.

WHY?



BECAUSE OF HIM. IT'S MY FAULT. I CALLED HIM TO THIS WORLD. I THOUGHT HE COULD HELP.

INSTEAD, HE LED BOTH THE CLOSED **AND** THE OPEN RIGHT TO ME. NOW THEY KNOW WHERE I AM...HE'S DESTROYED **EVERYTHING**.

EVEN IF HE CALLS IN THE REST OF HIS JEDI TO KILL THEM, IT WILL BE TOO LATE.



MASTER... WHAT IS SHE SAYING? WE AREN'T KILLERS.

NO, ANAKIN. WE ARE NOT. COME WITH ME.



"...I'M GOING
TO CHANGE
THE SYSTEM."

TAKE DOWN
THE CLOSED!
AS MANY AS
WE CAN!

DIE,
OPEN...JUST
DIE!

SSSSSSSS FFSHHHH

WHAT...

IT'S...IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE.

THE SKY.



**CEASE ALL
HOSTILITIES.**

**REPEAT. ALL
HOSTILITIES MUST
CEASE
IMMEDIATELY.**

**WHAT...
WHAT ARE
THEY?**

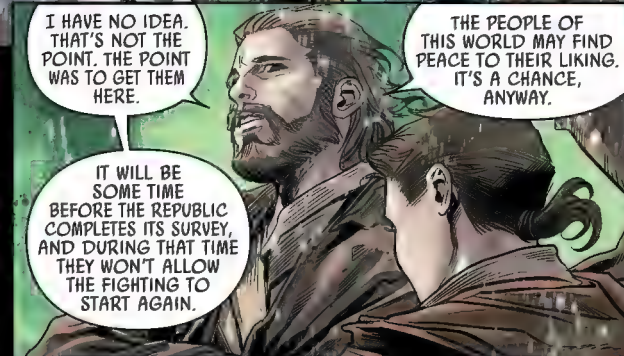
**SK...
SKYGIFT!
THEY'RE
SKYGIFT!**



HOW DID YOU GET THE FLEET TO COME HERE? I THOUGHT THE REPUBLIC DIDN'T CARE ABOUT THIS PLACE.

I TOLD THEM WE HAD DISCOVERED THAT THE UNUSUAL ATMOSPHERE ON THE PLANET HAD HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF TIBANNA GAS. THEY'RE HERE TO SECURE IT.

IS THAT TRUE?



I HAVE NO IDEA. THAT'S NOT THE POINT. THE POINT WAS TO GET THEM HERE.

IT WILL BE SOME TIME BEFORE THE REPUBLIC COMPLETES ITS SURVEY, AND DURING THAT TIME THEY WON'T ALLOW THE FIGHTING TO START AGAIN.

THE PEOPLE OF THIS WORLD MAY FIND PEACE TO THEIR LIKING. IT'S A CHANCE, ANYWAY.



PERHAPS THEY WILL CHOOSE TO HELP THEMSELVES.

BUT... THEY JUST BELIEVED YOU?



YES, THE REPUBLIC DID NOT COME HERE BECAUSE OF OBI-WAN KENOBI. THEY ARE HERE BECAUSE A JEDI CALLED.

BEING A JEDI IS NOT JUST ABOUT **POWER**, OR LIGHTSABERS, OR EVEN SKILL WITH THE FORCE.

IT IS ABOUT **CONNECTION**. BEING PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER.



I AM STRONGER AS PART OF THE JEDI ORDER THAN I COULD EVER BE ALONE.

Coruscant. The Jedi Temple. Before...



TO LEAVE
THE ORDER,
DOES ANAKIN
WISH?

POSSIBLY,
MASTER YODA. HE
BELIEVES THAT HIS PATH
LIES ELSEWHERE. HE WISHES
TO LEAVE HIS TRAINING
BEHIND, AT LEAST FOR
NOW. HE SAYS HE WILL
RETURN, BUT...

I DON'T
KNOW WHERE
I **FAILED**. I HAVE
DONE MY BEST TO
TEACH HIM.

HE
BELONGS
HERE. HE'S NOT
READY. HE'S
TOO YOUNG.



AS ARE YOU,
OBI-WAN. AS
ARE YOU.

YOUR FAULT IT
IS NOT. A CHILD ANAKIN
REMAINS. HIS PATH
BEFORE COMING TO
US...DIFFICULT.

HIS
QUESTIONS...
NATURAL.





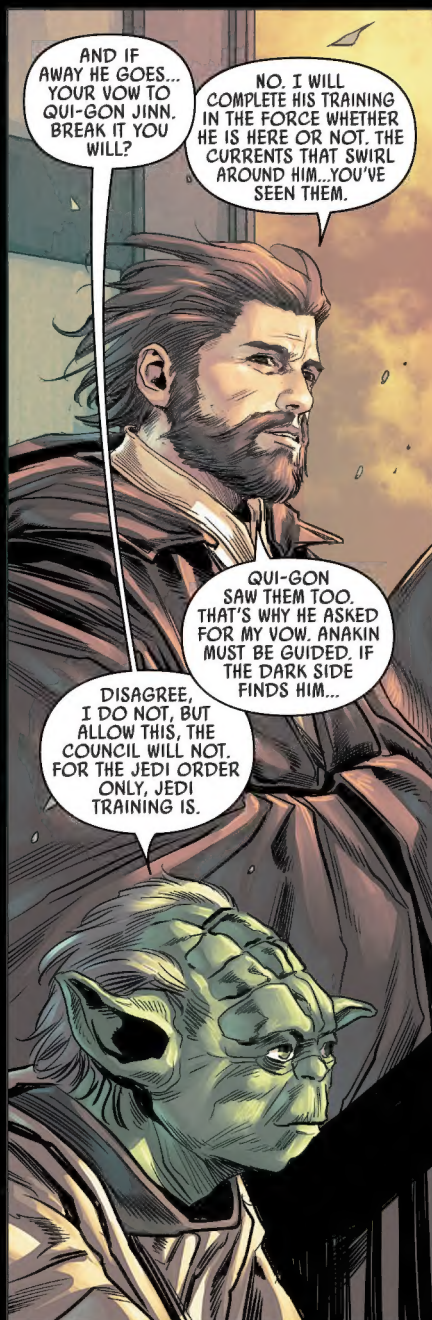
A CALL
FOR JEDI AID,
RECEIVED WE
HAVE.

WITH YOUNG
SKYWALKER YOU WILL
GO, INVESTIGATE
YOU SHALL.



IF, AFTER YOUR
RETURN, ANAKIN STILL
WISHES TO LEAVE US,
THEN RELEASED HE
SHALL BE.

JAILERS,
THE JEDI ARE
NOT.



AND IF
AWAY HE GOES...
YOUR VOW TO
QUI-GON JINN.
BREAK IT YOU
WILL?

NO. I WILL
COMPLETE HIS TRAINING
IN THE FORCE WHETHER
HE IS HERE OR NOT. THE
CURRENTS THAT SWIRL
AROUND HIM... YOU'VE
SEEN THEM.

QUI-GON
SAW THEM TOO.
THAT'S WHY HE ASKED
FOR MY VOW. ANAKIN
MUST BE GUIDED. IF
THE DARK SIDE
FINDS HIM...

DISAGREE,
I DO NOT, BUT
ALLOW THIS, THE
COUNCIL WILL NOT.
FOR THE JEDI ORDER
ONLY, JEDI
TRAINING IS.



UNDERSTAND,
DO YOU? ANAKIN'S
DEPARTURE, ITS
CONSEQUENCE?

OF COURSE,
MASTER YODA.
IF ANAKIN LEAVES
THE ORDER...

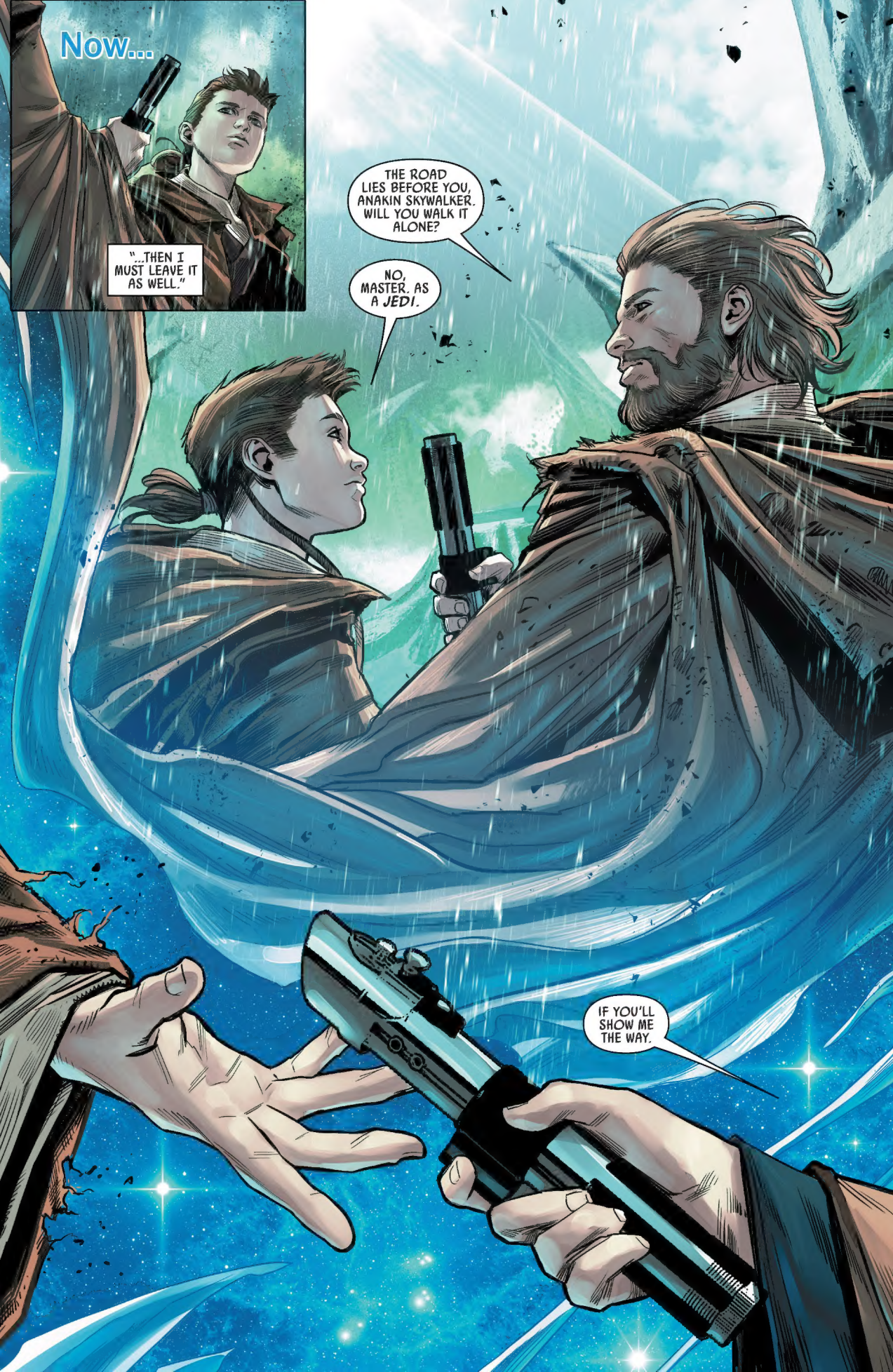
Now...

"...THEN I
MUST LEAVE IT
AS WELL."

THE ROAD
LIES BEFORE YOU,
ANAKIN SKYWALKER.
WILL YOU WALK IT
ALONE?

NO,
MASTER. AS
A JEDI.

IF YOU'LL
SHOW ME
THE WAY.



HAN SOLO

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